(b) the punishment given to those responsible for air accidents during the above period ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) and (b) The details of accidents during the period from 1991-92 to 1993-94 involving Indian registered aircraft operated by national carriers and Air Taxi Operators and the action taken against those responsible are indicated in the Statement (*See* below). As the aircraft and passengers are insured, the national carrier has not suffered any significant loss.

Statement

	Date	Site	Aircraft	Operator	Fatalities	Action taken
1.	16-8-91	Imphal	B-737	I.A.	69	Both pilot and Co-pilot died in the accident.
2.	4-9-92	Udaipur	B-737	I.A.	1	The pilot and engineer were not held responsible for the incident.
3.	26-4-93	Aurangabad	B-737	I.A.	56	Both pilot and Co-pilot were grounded after the accident.
4.	15-11-93	Tirupati	A-300	I.A.	NIL	Both pilot and Co-pilot were grounded after the accident.
5.	8-3-94	Delhi	B-737	Sahara India	9	The instructor pilot died in the accident.

Participation in Tourism Festival in Berlin

3910. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether India had participated in the tourism festival held in Berlin from the 5th to 10th March, 1994 ;

(b) if so, the salient features of the festival and the level of India's participation therein ;

(c) which States of the country were represented ; and

(d) what gains are likely to accrue to the tourism potential of the country ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Internationale Tourismus Borse (ITB) is the biggest Travel Mart in the world in which tourism related organisations participate from all over the world. This year, ITB was attended by 167 countries. It is the only Travel Mart in which the Department of Tourism participates by setting up a National India Pavilion. For ITB-94, the theme of the Pavilion was Rajasthan and it was modelled on the 'Hawa Mahal' of Jaipur. There were 35 booths within the India Pavilion from which 32 Indian tour operators, 4 hotels, 9 State Governments and 2 Airlines operated.

(c) Though India Pavilion promoted the whole country, the State Governments which participated from their own booths or from the Department of Tourism booth are Goa, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka and Haryana.

(d) Trade Enquiries this year have been extremely encouraging, indicating that there is a lot of interest in Indian Tourism Market, especially for new areas like Sikkim and Arunachal Pradesh. This is expected to result in an appreciable increase in tourist arrivals to the country.

दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे पर तोड़-फोड़ की घटनाएं

3911. **श्री सुंदर सिंह भंडारी** : क्या **नागर विमानन और पर्यटन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि मार्च, 1994 के अंतिम सप्ताह में दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे पर इंडियन एयरलाइन्स के दो विमानों के फायर सेंसिंग वायर कटे हुए पाए गए थे, यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) गत छः माह के दौरान घटित हुई तोड़-फोड़ की घटनाओं का ब्यौरा क्या है तथा ये घटनाएं कहां-कहां घटित हुई;

(ग) क्या ऐसी घटनाओं के संबंध में कोई जांच करायी गयी थी, यदि हां, तो ऐसी घटनाएं घटित होने के क्या कारण हैं; और

(घ) विमान की सुरक्षा के संबंध में पायी गयी खामियों का ब्यौरा क्या है और उन्हें दूर करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाये गए हैं ?

नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री (श्री गुलाम नबी आजाद) : (क) दिल्ली हवाई अड्डे पर मार्च, 1994 के अंतिम सप्ताह के दौरान, इंडियन एयरलाइन्स के दो बी-737 विमानों पर मास्टर कॉशन एनन्सिएटर के तार काटने के मामले रिपोर्ट किये गए है। पहली घटना की रिपोर्ट 24-3-94 को 2020 बजे कलकत्ता से आने के बाद विमान बीटी-ईजीडी के संबंध में मिली थी। दूसरी घटना 25-3-94 को दिल्ली-आगरा मार्ग पर विमान बीटी-ईसीपी के संबंध में इसके प्रचालनों से पूर्व काकपिट तैयार जांच के दौरान रिपोर्ट की गई थी।

(ख) पिछले छः महीनों के दौरान इंडियन एअरलाइन्स में इस किस्म की कोई घटना रिपोर्ट नहीं की गई।

(ग) पुलिस द्वारा मामलों की छानबीन की जा रही है।

(घ) इंडियन एयरलाइन्स के विमानों में तथा इसके आसपास सुरक्षा को कड़ा कर दिया गया है। लम्बी अवधियों के लिए पार्क किए गए सभी विमानों को सुरक्षा टेपों से सील करने के अनुदेश जारी किए गए हैं। ऐसे विमानों पर विशेष विमान घुसपैठिया खोजी प्रणालियां भी लगाई जा रही हैं। विमान में प्रवेश करने वाले व्यक्तियों की निगरानी तथा तलाशी को भी कड़ा कर दिया गया है।

Modernisation of Airport Facilities

3912. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether airport facilities at various airports in the country are proposed to be modernised ;

(b) if so, the details of the airports provided with modern facilities as on 31st January, 1994 ;

(c) whether the question of air safety to passengers has also been examined ; and

(d) if so, the details of steps taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) Modernisation of airports and other infrastructural facilities is a continuing process and is taken up in a phased manner depending upon the requirements projected and availability of resources.

(b) All the five international airports at Delhi, Mumbai, Madras, Calcutta and Trivandrum, controlled by International Airports Authority of India (IAAI) have been provided with modern facilities.

National Airports Authority (NAA) is providing modern facilities at Vadodara, Ahmedabad, Jaipur, Lucknow, Bhubaneswar, Calicut, Bangalore, Goa, Guwahati, Hyderabad, Imphal, Indore, Patna, Varanasi and Nagpur.

(c) and (d) While all the airports having operation of commercial air services are equipped with adequate navigational facilities for safe air operations, progressive modernisation is being undertaken at various airports by upgradation of navigational aids and air traffic services by procuring Airport Surveillance Radar/ Monopulse Surveillance Radar and Instrument Landing System.

UNDP Aid for Development of Tourism

3913. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether the United Nations Development Programme has decided to grant aid to Government for the development of tourism ;

(b) if so, the terms and conditions laid down for grant of assistance ;

(c) the details of tourist spots in the country to be promoted ; and

(d) to what extent the inflow of tourists is likely to increase ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Setting up of Aircraft Maintenance Facility in India

3914. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH :
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether Boeing Commercial Airplane Group propose to set up an aircraft maintenance facility in India, in co-operation with the Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd., to meet the rising maintenance needs of private airlines ;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard ;

(c) whether the air taxi operators in India send their wet leased Boeing aircraft and crew abroad for maintenance and training ;

(d) if so, the number of such aircrafts sent abroad during 1993 and so far in 1994 and what are the reasons therefor ;